

I strenuously object to Sinclair Broadcasting's announced intentions to use their public license for personal and political gain. The press has reported that Sinclair Broadcasting intends to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the election.

This misuse of the public airwaves, which Sinclair uses free of charge, is an example of the problems of consolidation of media ownership. Sinclair's license obligates them to serve the public interest. Media ownership rules need to be strengthened so that corporate ownership does not undermine the democratic principles that underlie a free press.